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1. [REDACTED] Received a call from John Robbins in the office of Representative Earl F. Landgrebe (R., Ind.). Robbins inquired if there had been a vote in the past six months on any measure to reduce CIA appropriations. I replied that CIA appropriations are never voted on on the floor, and that there had been votes on whether the CIA budget should be publicized and on restricting CIA funds for certain purposes, but that to my knowledge there has not been a vote on the floor of either House which would have reduced CIA appropriations.

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2. [REDACTED] Called Bob Bedell, OGC/OMB, and ✓ inquired as to the coordination by OMB on H.R. 12471, amending the Freedom of Information Act, following the President's veto. According to Bedell, the President will propose compromise amendments, and the Agency will be included in the coordination to formulate an Executive position. Bedell agreed that we would stand a better chance for acceptance of the President's compromise in the Senate under the leadership of Senator Roman L. Hruska (R., Neb.), in view of the overwhelming vote in favor of the bill in the House.

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Earlier in the day I talked to Jim Kronfeld, Staff Counsel, House Government Operations Subcommittee on Foreign Operations and Government Information, and inquired as to when the Congress would vote on the President's veto on H.R. 12471. According to Kronfeld, this will be one of the first votes taken when the Congress returns from recess on 18 November.

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3. [REDACTED] After being notified by Personnel that a check of Security, Personnel, and DDO records had turned up nothing on [REDACTED] I called Miss Cynthia Mora in the office of Representative John L. Burton (D., Calif.) and told her we had no record of [REDACTED]. She thanked me and indicated no further action was necessary.

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4. [redacted] Received a call from Bob Hull, State Department, to discuss a technical retirement act amendment involving payment into the appropriate Fund for leave without pay while a Federal employee serves in a Federal employee union.

Hull had no feel on the possibility of a veto of the new Civil Service Retirement amendment restoring the full annuity in the event the intended beneficiary of a survivor annuity pre-deceases the principal.

He is standing at the ready but does not anticipate that there will be hearings in the House Foreign Affairs Committee on the omnibus Foreign Service retirement amendments.

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6. [redacted] Received a call from Richard Perle, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, Senate Government Operations Committee staff, who asked if we would provide a biographic sketch on [redacted] OCI, has been advised.

7. [redacted] Received a call from Ben Cooper, Senate Interior and Insular Affairs Committee staff, who asked if the Agency could provide any current statistics on price and volumes of Soviet export and import of oil. [redacted] OER, has been advised.

8. [redacted] Received a call from Everett E. Bierman, House Foreign Affairs Committee staff, who asked if I would drop by the first of the week to discuss a problem posed by Representative Vernon W. Thomson (R., Wis.).

9. [redacted] Received a call from Geoffrey B. Shields, Subcommittee on Multinational Corporations, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, concerning petrodollar and Euro currency markets. He is particularly interested in the current flow of funds coming into the Euro dollar market and disposition of these funds. After consultation with [redacted] OER, I will try to turn Shields' request to the Treasury Department for this information.

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